IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

41 Atty. Dkt.: 4137-33 fail Stop Patent Application Commissioner for Patents Date: March 25, 2004 P.**G** Box 1450 Alexendria, VA 22313-1450 Sir O Attached for filing is the patent application of: Inventor: TRIGG et al Entitled: SUSTAINED PEPTIDE-RELEASE FORMULATION and including attachments as noted below: Newly executed Declaration, \overline{\times} Copy of Declaration from prior application, \overline{\times} Abstract Please **delete** the following inventors in the continuation/division/continuation-in-part application: **Deleted** persons: 14 pages of specification and claims (including 16 numbered claims), and sheets of accompanying drawing/s for Figures 1 - 14. Record the attached assignment to and return to the undersigned. Attached is a Power of Attorney. Priority is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on the following foreign applications: **Application Number** Country Day/Month/Year Filed PO 2035 Australia 30 August 1996 PO 4107 Australia 6 December 1996 PCT/AU97/00560 1 September 1997 , respectively, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application... Certified copy(ies) of foreign application(s) is/are attached. Certified copy(ies) filed on in prior appln. no. filed This application claims the benefit of Provisional Application No. , filed , the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application. This application is a __ continuation/_ division/_ continuation-in-part of Application No. 09/991,714, filed November 26, 2001, which is a continuation of Application No. 09/242,635, filed February 19, 1999, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application. Petition filed in prior application to extend its life to insure co-pendency. The prior application is assigned to Peptech Limited, North Ryde, NSW, Australia. It is hereby requested that the Examiner consider the art cited in the parent application by applicant and/or the Examiner for the reasons stated therein. A listing of that art is attached. Applicant claims "small entity" status.

"Small entity" statement attached. Please enter the attached preliminary amendment prior to calculation of filing fee: \boxtimes Also attached:

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